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## FANWOOD

Major Francis G. Landon, President of the Board of Directors of the New York School for the Deaf, entertained the members of the Board at dinner at the Union Club on Thursday evening, April 5th. After the dinner there was an informal meeting at which the policies of the School were discussed.

There were present: Mr. Joseph R. Barr, Dr. Louis F. Bishop, Sr., Dr. Louis F. Bishop, Jr., Dr. Wm. Adams Brown, Messrs. Frederic A. de Peyster, William M. Evarts, Philip Hiss, William Wickham Hoffman, Robert McC. Marsh, John D. Peabody, E. Pennington Pearson, John S. Rogers, Jr., and Superintendent Skyberg.

After nearly two weeks of quietness around the school buildings during the Easter recess, there is again much animation since the pupils returned on Monday morning, the 9th. The school sessions were begun in the afternoon, and soon everything was humming along in earnest.

The inquiring reporter proceeded to find out what most of the personnel did during the recess and discovered they went in widely scattered directions.

Superintendent Skyberg and family spent the Easter vacation at their home in Spencertown. His two daughters had their first experience in tapping maple trees, gathering sap, boiling it and making maple syrup. Attempts were made to take advantage of the opening of the fishing season on Saturday, April 7th, but with no success.

Mr. and Mrs. Davis motored to Annaville, Pa., where they spent Easter with Mrs. Davis' parents.

Mrs. Slockbower did not leave the city, but spent her time at her home in the Bronx, where she reports the trees and shrubs are beginning to show signs of spring awakening. A dinner and dance at the International House were part of her dissipation.

Mr. A. O. Grubert of the Administrative Staff, and Miss Lenore Martin, his fiancée, spent several days at the home of Mr. Grubert's parents in Westfield, Mass. Miss Martin was given a miscellaneous bridal shower by Mr. Grubert's relatives, at which time she received many lovely gifts.

Mr. and Mrs. Boatner toured New England. Easter Sunday was spent in Boston. From there they visited Portland, Me., Montpelier, Vt., and Burlington, seeing Lake Champlain before crossing to the New York side at Crown Point and returning home via the East Side of the Hudson.

Miss Dolph went to Schenectady staying with her family. Several interesting automobile rides were taken in the Adirondacks and the Berkshire mountains.

Misses Scofield and Teegarden went to Wilkesburg in their trusty Ford to visit the latter's folks. They were lucky in having good driving weather, both going and coming.

Miss Walton spent the holidays at her home in Morganton, N. C. While there she visited the North Carolina School for the Deaf.

Mrs. Dedrick and her husband motored to Milwaukee, Wis., where they visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Van Male, and Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Dedrick.

Mrs. Watson stayed at home, making short trips in the vicinity now and then.

Miss Judge hied herself to Northern New York and was the guest of Miss Prudence Burchard, her former teacher. She also stayed with friends in Binghamton. That locality was popular as there were eight buses commanded to bring the holiday crowd back to the city.

Mr. Renner, of the printing office, took time out to celebrate the half-century since his birth, and feeling sprightly enough, he also took a century-mile run up to the Catskills to see that everything was in ship-shape there after the unusual winter weather.

Miss Peck spent Easter with her mother in Brooklyn. Then she went out to Caldwell, and stayed with the Foxes until Sunday. She greatly admired the crocuses on their front lawn. The rain and then the sun had brought them out so quickly and they were beautiful.

Miss Muirhead, who had been on the sick list for two weeks, reports that "on Easter Sunday morning I was in the Hollywood Bowl. I heard the mocking birds singing. The programme was wonderful. The harp symphonic orchestra composed of fifty harps played a medley of Easter hymns. A children's chorus composed of 500 sang the Halleluiah Chorus. All this by turning the dial of my radio. The Magic Carpet has nothing on the radio."

Mr. Crammatte took a busman's holiday, spending most of his vacation at the Fifth Avenue Library at work on his Master's thesis. Time not spent at the library was divided between visits to the vicinity of Columbia University and tours of the book shops.

Miss Hall had as her guest for the week-end, Mrs. Roy J. Stewart, of Washington, D. C.

Miss Craig enjoyed the warm sunshine and surging crowds on the Atlantic City boardwalk.

Mr. Morrill took a flying trip to Albany to visit his friend, Mr. William Lange, Jr. While in Albany, Mr. Morrill had a bothersome cyst removed.

Mr. Rayhill, the school's newest supervisor, spent his vacation right here in New York. Illinois is far away, and besides, Mr. Rayhill had a few social engagements in New York City. He also limbered up a bit on the cinderpath at McComb's Park.

The pupils were greeted by summer weather when they returned to school on the 9th. On the afternoon the crack of balls against bats and thud into catchers mits resounded as the baseball team had its first practice.

During the Easter vacation, Louis Fucci, Lawrence McKeown, Sandy Tedesco and two graduates of Fanwood, Herbert Carroll and George Herbst, gathered at Thomas Kolenda's home in Southampton, L. I., where they had an enjoyable time.

Michael Cairano, Fanwood's track captain, used the vacation to advantage by getting in a few days' training at McComb's Park.

Louis Balkoski and Louis Fucci played a few games with their hearing team, the Knight Juniors.

Joseph Nuch was "at home" to callers during most of the vacation.

## NEW YORK CITY

On Saturday evening, April 7th, there was a card party in the St. Ann's Church, under the auspices of the Manhattan Division, No. 87, N. F. S. D. Nearly one hundred and fifty persons attended and thus it was more than successful financially and socially. The competition in playing of "500" and bridge was very keen, and the winners came out with sighs of relief with the losers close at their heels. In "500" Mr. G. Berman ran off with the first prize, while Mr. E. Carr and Miss Tillie Newman got the second and third prizes. In bridge Mrs. Nies and Mr. M. Cohen carried off the first and second prizes, and in whist Miss Breslauer won the prize. After the playing, coffee and cake was served by the wives of the men on the committee.

### N. A. D.

The Newark Frats are holding a strawberry festival on May 5th and will donate half the proceeds to the Convention Fund. See advertisement printed elsewhere.

The Local Convention Committee of the N. A. D. expects soon to announce its tentative program for the week of July 23d to 28th, 1934. Watch for it!

Special reduced Convention fares, entitling N. A. D. members and friends to two-thirds off the regular rate on return trip, is being arranged and will be announced in due time.

The Fanwood Alumni Association has a baseball team this year. Its first game will be with the Fanwood Athletic Club of the Fanwood school, on the Fanwood grounds. It also is arranging other games with Alumni Associations of other schools. Mr. Herbert Carroll is the manager of the team, and can be addressed care Deaf-Mutes' Union League, 711 Eighth Avenue, New York City.

It is also contemplated to enter a relay team at the Fanwood Alumni Association Track and Field Meet on May 30th.

The Annual Outing of the Fanwood Alumni Association this year will take place on Saturday, June 30th, and will be as in former years, to Indian Point.

### H. A. D.

Prof. Iles of Fanwood will be the guest speaker before the H. A. D. Forum this Friday evening, the 13th. Please don't be superstitious and come, everybody.

The past few days there has been quite something in the press concerning the deaf.

The foremost of these are the announcement from Scotland, that now that Mrs. Anne Sullivan, the teacher of Miss Helen Keller, has become blind, Miss Keller in turn becomes the teacher of Mrs. Sullivan.

The Brooklyn Times Union on March 12th, had a report of the successful charity and entertainment ball of the Brooklyn Hebrew Society of the Deaf, which took place on Saturday evening, March 10th.

The St. Patrick evening card and bunco party was a success. Prof. Walker, who was to have given a magic show, was unable to be present on account of the death of his mother. Those winning prizes at cards were Mrs. Metzger, Mr. A. Seibold, Mr. Shafranek. The lucky bunco players were Mr. Seilber, Mrs. Gilbert, Mrs. Downs and Mr. Aufort.

Easter Sunday night, Miss Margaret E. Jackson entertained seven guests with a buffet supper and a few rounds of bridge. The guests: Misses Bridges, Dibble and Havens, and Messrs. Crammatte, Hapward, Lowitz and Rayhill. Mr. Lowitz took away the high score prize—and probably wondered how in the world he could get it home without attracting too much attention in the subway.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank T. Lux were hosts to about twenty persons Saturday night, April 8th. Four tables of duplicate contract and one of anagrams filled the Lux apartment with a merry crowd. Miss Bridges and Mr. Catuna won first prize at bridge; Mrs. Catuna and Mr. Bloom took second; and Miss Armstrong and Mr. Hummel won the consolation prizes, a pair of back-scratchers. Misses Boatwright and Palmer won prizes in the game of anagrams.

Mrs. Samuel B. Kline, of Cleveland, O., former Sara Zanger, is spending a two-week vacation with her parents in Newark, N. J. Her husband could not join her this time.

Mrs. Dorothy Baca, of Brooklyn, received the beautiful Winter Season Trophy of the Dactyl Club, as the highest-ranking qualified player. Miss Rose Brigham, of New York, was runner-up, and Mrs. Margaret Call, of Brooklyn, ranked third.

Miss Ruth Albonesi, who had been enjoying the winter at Miami, Fla., returned to her home in Monticello last week.

Mr. Michael BorovGeci, of Pennsylvania, was a visitor in New York and called at the JOURNAL office last week.

At the recent dinner of the Society of Deaf Artists, some interesting highlights developed concerning the career of Jacques Alexander, who has been president of the society several times since its inception twenty-seven years ago.

For instance, he has turned out oil paintings of Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet, which are on display in the Paris School for the Deaf, Gallaudet Home for the Aged, Chicago office of the National Fraternal Society of the Deaf, and at the Fanwood School for the Deaf. In addition, crayon portraits of the Rev. Thomas Gallaudet from Mr. Alexander's studio are shown in the library of Gallaudet College, Washington, D. C., and in St. Ann's Church in New York City, where there is also a crayon of the late Edward Miner Gallaudet.

Mr. Alexander has traveled extensively in France, Germany, Spain, Italy, Austria and England. Despite his 70 years, he is still busily engaged with his brush and palette, and manifests a great deal of interest in the art exhibit at the coming N. A. D. Convention next July.

### Company at Supper

The housekeeper who has known what it is to have unexpected guests will, no doubt, find sympathy welling within her heart at the plight of a woman in a Western town.

Her husband had asked her to show some kindness to a young officer of the militia to whom he had taken a fancy. She therefore despatched a note, in which she said: "Mrs. Brown requests the pleasure of Captain White's company at supper on Wednesday evening."

She received a prompt and joyful reply, which read, "With the exception of the men who have other engagements, Captain White's company will come with pleasure."



## DETROIT

A surprise party was given in honor of Mrs. Halsey Day at her residence on March 18th. Mrs. Charles Miller got up that party for her. She and some lady friends prepared a very nice supper at 6:30. Keno games were played. Everybody enjoyed the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Mayville announced the birth to a baby girl, born on March 9th. Mr. Mayville is formerly of Massachusetts.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Goff have another baby girl, born on March 20th.

Mr. and Mrs. John Dasse, of Flint, have a new baby boy, born on March 18th.

Mr. Wheeler, formerly of Kalamazoo, Mich., who is employed at Fisher Body Co. in Tarrytown, N. Y., announced the birth of a baby girl some time ago.

Mr. Ralph Beaver took his wife, Mesdames Allen, Peard and Kenney, and Mr. Drake, on a motor trip to Flint on March 20th.

Mr. and Mrs. William Behrendt had a St. Patrick Day party at their residence. They invited about thirty people. Mr. and Mrs. A. Eickhoff, of Flint, were their week-end guests. Mr. William M. Strong met his old schoolmate, Mr. Eickhoff, for the first time since thirty-one years when they were at Gallaudet College. A pot-luck supper was served and "500" was played.

At the G. A. R. building on the fourth floor, the N. F. S. D., No. 2, held a St. Patrick mask party. First prize was awarded to Mr. Thomas Kenney and Miss Marion Potts for the best Irish costumes. Second prize went to Messrs. Beaver and DeFazio, and Mrs. Baird and Miss Irving. Helen Baird got the third prize. There were refreshments and music and dancing. Door prizes went to Mr. Goth, Mr. F. Friday and Mr. Stottler, of Pontiac. Mr. Stutsman was the general manager.

Mr. Peter Hellers got up a surprise birthday party in honor of Mrs. John Hellers at their residence on the 2d.

St. John's Ladies League held a penny social, which was quite good success on March 23d. The writer was the chairman and Mrs. Affeldt assisted her.

Mrs. Castella Hecht and her daughter, Mary Jean, were called to Washington, D. C., to attend the funeral of her niece last March 14th. They returned home Sunday, March 18th. Her niece was stricken ill with measles and was operated the fifth time for mastoids, but the infection set in. Her brother-in-law works in the Treasury Department.

On March 6th, the M. A. D. held its meeting at G. A. R. building and after its meeting, an entertainment was given by Mrs. Gertie Behrendt. A good crowd attended.

A penny social was held at the D. A. D. on March 24th.

Mr. Jay Cooke Howard, of Kalamazoo, will give a lecture at St. John's Parish House on April 28th. Everybody is welcome.

On April 13th, a keno social will be given at St. John's Parish House by Mrs. Irma Ryan.

The Ladies League is preparing a Quilt Club and will have a bazaar and country fair in the Fall.

The Easter vacation is over now. Billy and Jack Waters spent the week-end with their parents. Louise Behrendt returned to school in Flint after she spent the Easter holidays with her parents.

Mrs. Peter Hellers got up a surprise birthday party in honor of Mrs. John Hellers on April 2d, at Mrs. Peter Hellers' residence. The dining room was decorated very prettily with yellow and white paper links. The guests arrived there at 12 o'clock and Mrs. Peter led them to Mrs. John Hellers' residence, and she was so surprised. Mrs. Peter Hellers brought the gift to Mrs. John Hellers. It was a lovely electric aluminum oven-ette. Mrs. Peter Hellers took her and her hearing sister, Libby, to Mrs. P. Hellers' apartment as there was an-

other surprise for Mrs. J. Hellers. The dining table was filled with goodies to eat. A pot-luck dinner was served. "500" and Chinese rummy were played. Mrs. Lobsinger won the first prize, and Mrs. A. Japes won the prize for Chinese rummy.

Mrs. Fred Wheeler, of Kalamazoo, has been visiting her son and the family in New York and her sister in Washington, D. C., since last December. She left there and arrived in Detroit and is visiting with her old schoolmates, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brown, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lynch took a motor trip to Grand Rapids, Mich., to visit their sister and the family last week.

Mr. Moses Graff is staying somewhere in Florida for his health. We all hope he is improving by this time.

At St. John's Parish House, the ladies league had an Easter dinner in the basement, where there were seventy-two deaf people seated. Rev. and Mrs. R. Woodrooffe and Mrs. Grace Davis, the field worker for the deaf, were seated with Rev. and Mrs. H. B. Waters, Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Meck and Mrs. Webster. Mrs. Webster handed two books and flower bouquets to Rev. and Mrs. Woodrooffe, who were going to leave and stay with his aged father in Woodstock, Canada. Rev. Waters made a speech about Rev. Woodrooffe and his work.

Margaret and Cyril, children of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bourcier, of Dearborn, Mich., are visiting their grandparents and uncles and the family in Washington, Mich.

Don't forget the dates. Mr. George Tripp, of Flint, will give an entertainment at the C. A. D. on April 21st. Mr. Jay Howard, of Kalamazoo, will give a lecture at St. John's Parish House on April 28th. On April 14th, at the G. A. R., the N. F. S. D., No. 2, will have a social.

MRS. L. MAY.

## Minneapolis and St. Paul

The nation-wide survey was confined to "types of employment for which deaf and hard of hearing can be most successfully trained." I had asked for inquiry into reasons for insurance discrimination against the deaf.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Santo, of Enid, Okla., had their baby boy in an Oklahoma City hospital for eye treatment.

Will Peters was knocked down by an auto. The insurance company settled all bills.

Frank Walser and wife, of Minnesota Lakes, have lost their oldest boy by pneumonia.

Elinora, oldest daughter of W. C. and Elsie Jones, had her appendix removed.

Clarence Monroe twice hurt one shoulder. It will take time to heal. The 89-year-old father spryly took up the burden of the truck business. But Clarence is now again on the job with a helper.

I again tried bone conduction; but it seems I am deaf. You see, I am an optimist with faith in science.

The State survey of the deaf, supervised by Gordon Allen, closed April 1st.

Mrs. Howard has lectured before several clubs on problems connected with her work, and acted as interpreter at others.

A big party was gotten up by the Caldwells, for the benefit of the P. E. circuit rider.

The unfortunate accident to Cadwallader Washburn shocked us. But he comes up smiling and fighting. Dr. Watson can use him as a brilliant, convincing example of behaviorism.

Mrs. Murdock, octogenarian, of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, has passed away.

B. L. Winston missed his watch and fob one Sunday evening. He inserted an ad. The ad paid. He found the watch hanging by the fob to the belt of his overcoat in the closet the next Sunday.

Mrs. Howard has less worry about food in her home. A big Kelvinator

was presented to her by a relative.

Rev. John Salvner preached to over sixty-seven deaf at Lenten services.

T. C. MUELLER.

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## N. A. D. Platform

Editor, Deaf-Mutes' Journal:

Mr. George Wm. Veditz, among others, has asked that I submit a statement as to my policies—in short, a "platform," as presidential candidate of the N. A. D.

First, let me say that it is going to be "four square" insofar as I can make it so.

I have always been, still am, and expect to remain a staunch advocate of the "Combined System" of education. But I do not propose to be perpetually battling oralistic wind-mills to the exclusion of more pressing problems such as confront the adult deaf these days.

It is my belief that in order to weld the deaf together into one strong organization, the development and extension of State associations with a view to forming a sort of "Federation" would go a long way towards removing the present inertia.

It is my earnest desire to better the lot of the American deaf. To this end, I believe in affecting proper and necessary contacts with political leaders and those in official authority, to gain our objectives. I am accordingly in favor of prompt affiliation with the recently organized "National Council for the Physically Handicapped." We cannot very well expect a social-minded attitude by a quizzical world when we, as a class, imitate the ostrich in our "clannishness" which has gone far, or shall I say deep, enough.

I am in favor of placing the claims of the deaf as to employment, on a par with those of disabled veterans. For, it certainly is not our fault that we could not enlist for war services. Hence, we should strive to have all civil services bars against the deaf, removed.

The United States Government, as the largest employer in the world, should set an example in allotting a certain percentage of work to the deaf before we can very well expect the average employer to take us to his arms.

Since schools for the deaf "point with pride" to its roster of "successful" graduates, they should show due recognition of their handiwork by inviting at least one deaf person to serve on their Board of Trustees—one, representing the educated adult deaf and in a position to assist in shaping the school's policies.

It is my contention that we should have a sort of "Publicity Director" of the N. A. D. (either in the person of the Secretary or other member) whose sole function should be to "SELL" the deaf to a skeptical hearing world. Proper "propaganda" on behalf of the deaf would go far towards removing many existing obstacles.

Should there be any "planks" missing in this "platform," I desire to say that they are not intentional. I would far rather be short on "promises" and long in "performance." For, after all, what avails the finest pre-election platform when not possible of execution? Let us have less of "resolutioning" and a little more of that Rooseveltian spirit of dynamic action as occasion demands.

In conclusion, I can only say that it will be my purpose, if elected, to make of the N. A. D. more than a mere name, much more than just a social pow-wow around convention time; in short, an effective organization that should command the respect it deserves. This would, obviously, require a great deal of personal sacrifice on my part; but, I shall be glad to serve, as far as lies within my humble power, should the membership choose to entrust me with its confidence and support.

Sincerely yours,

MARCUS L. KENNER.

April 4, 1934.

## N. A. D. Convention

BULLETIN No. 6

Not unlike the dilemma of the old woman in Mother Goose who had so many children she didn't know what to do, is the problem confronting the Local Committee. In our case, the trouble lies not in any desire to spank our "children" and send them off to bed, but in a pardonable pride in them and a desire to parade them all. These children of ours are the highways and by-ways, glimpses and vistas, sights and smells and sounds of New York.

We know what we have, but have no way of knowing exactly what you want to see or do. So we will wait until you get here, and if there is anything we have not provided for—such as special attractions appealing to the individual taste or inclination, be it ever so bizarre—we will attend to it, instantly.

New York is New York and there is none like it anywhere. Its buildings, towering so high in the air as to make the buildings of other cities look like pygmies, are typical of the city's development.

From the world's standpoint, New York is a young city. It was in 1524 that Giovanni da Verrazano entered the Lower Bay of what is now New York Harbor. So far as is known, he was the first European to visit the site of the city, but apparently he failed to appreciate the value of the land he had discovered.

It was not until after 1609, when Henry Hudson entered the Narrows and sailed up the river which now bears his name, that the development of the territory in and about the port began. In 1613, under the leadership of Adrian Block, the first settlers came. Four trading houses were in the little settlement which raised its roofs on the Island of Manhattan. The residents of the island at the time of its discovery were Algonquin Indians.

In 1626, Peter Minuit, director general of New Netherland, as the territory was then called, purchased the island from the Indians for a few trinkets valued at 60 guilders or \$24.

In 1653, with a population of 800, New Amsterdam was incorporated as a city, the first municipal incorporation in the United States. New York thus became the oldest incorporated city in this country.

The Dutch remained in possession of the city until 1664, when Charles II of England granted New Netherland to his brother James, Duke of York. September 8th, of that year an English force took possession and renamed the city New York. On August 10, 1673, the Dutch regained possession again, the city renamed New Orange. On November 10, 1674, the Dutch were again dispossessed by the English.

In 1690 the first inter-colonial Congress (called to consider an attack on Canada) was held in New York. The Stamp Act Congress met in New York in 1765. On January 18, 1770, nearly seven weeks before the Boston Massacre, British soldiers killed one citizen and wounded three others after the soldiers had destroyed a liberty pole set up by the Sons of Liberty. This riot, called the Battle of Golden Hill, is ranked by some writers as the first conflict of the war of the American Revolution. The site of and a replica of the original Liberty Pole is in City Hall Park.

From 1785 to 1790, Congress met in New York in the old City Hall, at the corner of Wall and Nassau Streets, and here Washington was inaugurated April 30th, 1789.

The organization of the city in its present form did not take place until January 1st, 1898, when, by legislative act, Greater New York, comprising the first boroughs, two large islands, a sizable section of Long Island and part of Westchester became the greater city.

JOHN N. FUNK.

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## CHICAGO

Good judgment probably averted false accusation of a deaf driver causing an auto fatality, March 28th. The Louis Koraseks were driving the Emery Gerichs—recently arrived from California—home from the All Angeles' social, when they espied a dark object resembling a man's body on the lonely street a block away. They slowed down. Hence were able to stop a few yards before reaching the body. It was a dead man, all right. Resisting the impulse to climb out and investigate, Korasek backed up, swerved, and passed around the body, proceeding on his way just as a crowd began to gather from out of the darkness. As he did so, his passengers noticed a big car half-over the curb, with fender bent, and busted radiator spouting water. Papers next morning related the death at that corner of John Kempf, 60, and gave the name of the death-car. Now had the crowd collecting caught the Korasek car halted close to the dead body, the surmise might have been that the deaf driver killed Kempf—and the guilty car might have slipped away unnoticed. Very good judgment. Other deaf drivers, please notice.

Four deaf girls have been taking the weekly course in home nursing given by the CWA at the Temple, interpreted by the Rev. Constance Elmes. They are Irene Crafton, Roberta Groves, Lillian Morrow and Leona Sparaka.

The mother of Mrs. Frederick Wirt celebrated another annual approach to within nine years of being a century old, with her whole family present for the day on the 25th of March. She is ninety-one years old.

On Sunday, the 25th of March, there was a large congregation of church-goers at All Angels' Mission. Mr. Frederick Wirt took pride in facing it, experienced as a lay-reader, it being his seventeenth service. It will be remembered that a short while ago, he was a straight lip-reader, and had to learn the sign-language by simply doing it before the audience. Evidently, if there was such a crowd, he has progressed far.

Chicago Division, No. 16, has exclusive rights on the date of June 2d, Saturday, all day, to engineer a mammoth affair, "106 Fair." It is of city-wide proportions that will challenge the attention of all the deaf in Chicago and its environs. Keep your eyes peeled for coming details anent the Fair!

There was an immense cake that had on it nineteen candles burning. Therefore she is now nineteen years old. Her birthday was on St. Patrick's Day, the 17th of March. The "she" is no other than Mrs. Ernest Craig. She was given a small surprise party by the R. O. Blairs.

A large number of the Catholic deaf attended mass at the Catholic deaf club house, Easter Sunday, at 8:30 in the morning. The day was clear till 11 in the morning, when the rain began to fall and continue till late in the afternoon. Some of the audience went home after breakfast, but the others passed a social time in conversation and stayed till 8 in the evening, when a "500" and bunco party started.

Father Hoffman will give a week's mission in the sign-language at the Catholic deaf club house, Monday, April 16th. The mission will begin at 8 in the morning and continue every evening till next Saturday, April 21st, when the Catholic deaf will go to confession in the afternoon and evening, for they will receive Holy Communion at Sunday's mass at 8:30 in the morning. Non-Catholic are welcome to attend the mission.

Easter services at Rev. Hasenstab's church, Rev. Flick's All Angeles' and the Lutheran Church for the deaf were well attended, mindless of the continual rain, on account of which the attendance at Rev. Hasenstab's church, was seemingly smaller than last year.

Sid Howard, who—off and on—scribbled Chicagoland for this DEAF-MUTES' JOURNAL over a period of

forty years, sends Easter greetings from California, whither he drifted a dozen years ago. He is well over eighty.

Some recent local parties were for Mrs. Uehling, of Racine; the Gus Hymans, of Duneland; Bill Hoffman, Miss Cora Jacoba and Mrs. C. Sharpnack.

The annual dramatic stunt of the younger set, which draw pack houses, is set for Saturday night, April 21st, at All Angels' Church, corner of Leeland and Racine. Miss Mary Rich has arranged some striking dancing numbers. Profits go to the Illinois Home for Aged Deaf.

THIRD FLAT.

3348 W. Harrison St.

## Syracuse, N. Y.

Rev. H. C. Merrill had an especially attractive Easter service at Trinity Church on April 1st, and his interesting sermon was much appreciated.

Mrs. Stiles Woodworth had charge of the musical program. Rev. Merrill donated the floral offerings in memory of his deceased mother. He also held services at Rochester and Buffalo on the same day. Rob Conley drove him as far as Rochester.

Mr. Albert Eaton has been sent home from the Good Shepherd Hospital, where he had been a patient for six weeks. His condition is somewhat improved.

Mrs. Eaton was the victim of a pleasant surprise in honor of her natal day on March 31st. About twenty-five friends gathered in the Ayling home at about 8 P.M., and Mrs. Eaton was summoned from her husband's room on some idle pretext, and was greatly surprised when the crowd assembled in the parlor jumped up and wished her a happy birthday. She received a number of nice, useful gifts. Mrs. Ayling and her assistants served a dainty lunch.

Mr. John Sears and her two little daughters spent the Easter holidays with relatives at Binghamton.

Mrs. Robert Conley spent the holidays with her parents at Phelps, N. Y.

The Syracuse Frats are all agog over preparations for a big jamboree at Frat headquarters on April 14th and 15th. A large crowd is expected, and there will be many interesting stunts on the program. A fine quilt designed by Mrs. Grace Wasse will be raffled off.

Mr. Theo. Hofmann, known to his close friends as "Teddy," the irrepressible, is suffering from a serious infection in his right foot and is under a physician's care at the home of his parents in Syracuse. Mrs. Hofmann is still at a sanitarium in Rochester.

Miss Nora McMahon was hostess to the members of the Ladies' Guild at her home on April 2d. Their husbands were also invited, and "500" was played until a late hour. The regular business meeting of the Guild was held on April 6th at the home of Mrs. Tom Hinchey.

The 84-year-old mother of Mrs. Grace Wasse is precariously ill with cancer of the stomach, and Grace is leading a strenuous life in the difficult task of nursing her mother and managing a large house.

Mr. Frank Lee was recently summoned to the bedside of his aged father at the I. O. O. F. Home near Lockport, N. Y. His father was supposed to be dying, but later rallied, and Frank returned home.

Mrs. Russel King, of Vernon, N. Y., spent Easter with her husband, who is employed in a Syracuse cabinet shop. It is hoped she will soon become a permanent resident of Syracuse.

The Misses Frances Brown, Cynthia Ackerman and Mary Locke, of the Rochester School, spent the Easter holidays with their parents in Syracuse. Also the two younger children of Mr. and Mrs. Rosella Ackerman, and the young Maxson boy of the Rome School. The aged mother of Mr. Ackerman was rushed to a

hospital near Auburn to undergo an operation on Easter morning.

Rev. Robert Root, of Webster, made a brief visit in Syracuse with his parents last week. He will go to Buffalo this week to spend a few days with his sister, Mrs. Glenn MacRae. PITT SING.

## OHIO

News items for this column can be sent to Miss B. Edgar, 56 Latta Ave., Columbus, O.

April 3rd, 1934.—It was with surprise that we here in Ohio, learned that Rev. Smielau had again taken up work as a minister to the deaf in Florida. When he left Ohio, we supposed his health had compelled him to retire for good. The Florida air must have been a strong tonic to so brace him up as to resume work. Friends are hoping he continues his work in Florida.

In a recent letter telling of a gathering of retired teachers from Ohio at St. Petersburg, Florida, I find I said that Mr. Greener was unable to be present. I should have said Dr. Robert Patterson. Mr. Greener was among the crowd of retired Ohio teachers to meet Mr. Kershner, Secretary of the Retirement Fund, and was as lively as ever. He never misses any good thing, wherever he is.

We have not yet learned whether the change from C. W. A. to F. E. R. A. has put out any of the workers at the school or not. The last time I visited the school there remained much to be done. We hope there was no stopping as reunion time draws near. Remember the dates—May 31st to June 3rd. The school closes May 26th this year, thus giving 8½ months of school.

School will be dismissed Friday, the 6th, to allow the teachers to attend the Ohio State Educational Conference, which promises to be an unusually good meeting this year.

Several well known speakers are to be on the program. Among them is Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt. She addressed a like conference here some few years ago. While in Columbus she will be the guest of the Deshler-Wallick Hotel and will be the guest of honor at a tea April 5th at the Governor's mansion.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Kennedy, of Columbus, again treated a few friends to a venison dinner. It was canned venison, but Mr. K. said that the meat tasted as good as if the deer had just been shot instead of having been kept since his hunting trip in Minnesota some time ago. Their guests were Mr. and Mrs. Philip Holdren, Mr. and Mrs. Everett (Silent) Rattan and Mr. F. Moore. We suspect the two Everetts compared notes as to how each received that name.

Mr. and Mrs. Holdren have had a niece from Florida as their guest. She is Miss Luella Daugherty, daughter of Mr. Holdren's sister, Ina Hollren, who at one time attended the Ohio School.

Mrs. Elmer Elsev took a few days off from home duties to visit her sister at Kenton.

Miss Margaret Jones, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Jones, has been a fine basketball player and her team won a championship. The Rotarians of Columbus entertained the players at a dinner, honoring the excellent work this season.

Mr. George Kinkle, a resident of the Ohio Home, well known to the Ohio deaf, has been sick with erysipelas. When I saw him at the Home March 25th, his face was badly swollen.

The Columbus Chapter of the G. C. A. A. have invitations out for a "Jinx Party," for April 13th. The date had to be moved forward as it was found the juniors and seniors had the room engaged for their party.

Mrs. Marie Stamer, elder daughter of Mrs. C. C. Neuner, being president of the P. T. A. of the Wilson School, just outside Columbus, was

a delegate to the P. T. A. convention at Springfield lately. Mrs. Stamer has been active in all the community work near her home.

Mr. J. B. Benedict, of Akron, writing to the Ohio Chronicle, reports the death of Mr. John Fleming at the Akron city hospital, following a major operation. Mr. Fleming, a tailor by trade, came from Greenville, Kentucky, to Akron several years ago and was member of the Akron N. F. S. D.

Funeral services were conducted by a hearing minister, with Mrs. Mina Burt as interpreter for the deaf. Besides the widow, two daughters and a son survive.

We heard of another case of a deaf man leaving Toledo to seek work in the east and now he is in a camp with unemployed. He had been in an automobile factory for some time and if he had patiently waited at home, he probably would have had his old job back now.

Mrs. Pauline Faulhaber (Wachowiowski) died at her mother's home in Toledo some time in February. She was the wife of Mr. F. Faulhaber of Cleveland. She left two children in her mother's care.

Mr. and Mrs. Harley Goetz, of Lima, are spending a month at Daytona Beach, Florida, thanks to the well-to-do brother of Mrs. Goetz. Lucky, indeed.

Mr. A. B. Greener is expected to be back in Columbus some time next week. We suspect his hands are itching to get to work in his back-yard garden.

A caller just informed me that the C. W. A. at the school is at a standstill and an inventory is in progress to be turned over to the new F. E. R. A. All of those employed are not to be hired again and wages for those accepting work are to be reduced.

E.

## Portland, Oregon

About sixty turned out at the Frat party on Saturday night, March 31st. Many interesting games were played. A few minutes' talk was given by Mr. J. D. Williams, a hearing man who is a candidate for Probate Department No 7, Circuit Court. He was accompanied by Mrs. Donaldson, who is a daughter of the late Mr. Smith, who started the first deaf school at Salem, Ore. The event ended with refreshments. The committee in charge were Chairman Miles Sanders, Aides were Mr. Fred Wondrack, Mr. C. H. Linde and Mr. Charles Lynch.

The O. A. D. party, which was announced in the last items of the paper for April 21st, will be held on Saturday April 28th, instead. The party will be held in the Reduens Hall, corner East Ninth Avenue and Hawthorne Boulevard. This is going to be a big event, as Miss Lotus Valentine of the Salem deaf school will captain the big affair, and a record crowd is expected. There will be new card and other games on the program.

Easter services on Friday night and Sunday at the Hope Lutheran Church were well attended. Although there was a threatening rain, it failed to dampen the spirits of the deaf. Rev. Eichmann was pleased to see so many turn out, and he preached a very interesting sermon on the Crucifixion, and ascension of Christ. H. P. N.

April 2d.

## Engagement

Mrs. F. E. DuBose, of Sardinia, S. C., has announced the engagement of her daughter, Lucile, to Mr. Chester C. Dobson, of Ogden, Utah. The wedding will take place in June. Miss DuBose is a teacher in the Kentucky School for the Deaf, Danville, Ky. Mr. Dobson is a member of the faculty at the Utah School for the Deaf, Ogden, Utah.



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THERE are occasions when those engaged in the profession of instructing the deaf, who are presumed to know some of its early history, seemingly allow themselves to fall into strange blunders when discussing subjects relating to the early stages of the education of the deaf. From time to time corrections on disputed points have been presented by reliable authorities, as in the instances of the frequently cited couplet of Lucretius and the real opinion of St. Augustine in relation to the deaf, the correct interpretation of each was carefully explained by the late Dr. E. A. Fay, the former Editor of the *American Annals of the Deaf*. Nevertheless they still continue to be quoted to fit the old misinterpretation of the truth.

In this relation it may not be out of place to direct attention to the oft-repeated reference to the single method of instructing the deaf as being a *new* one. Comparatively speaking, it may be so designated as applied to its use in America, although one of Braidwood's grandsons taught groups of private pupils, of wealthy families, in Virginia and New York, at a date preceding the establishment of any public school for their education in this country. Still, to be exact, the record indicates that the inception and use of speech as a means of instructing the deaf shows it to have been the oldest method originally employed with the deaf.

Speech was employed by Ponce, in Spain, about the year 1555; by Bonet, also in Spain, in 1662; by Wallis, Holden and Dalgarno in England, between the years 1662 and 1680, and by a considerable line of others. It is true that some of these early teachers used gestures in their instruction, but the main idea was to give their pupils speech. While there have undoubtedly been great improvements in the technic of these pioneer instructors, it remains the oldest method in the point of time. Compared with these earlier dates, De l'Epee began his

teaching in 1760, entirely at his own expense, and employed the manual alphabet and the sign language as the means of communicating with his pupils. He systemized and improved his method as a means of awakening intelligence, imparting instruction, and developing the use of language.

For some inexplicable reason, beyond the ken of the adult deaf of today, De l'Epee and his system are referred to by some enthusiastic disciples of the single method, as being responsible for a form of instruction which, they affirm, "isolates the deaf from the hearing world, shutting them within a horizon that limits their opportunities." The question naturally suggests itself, what other form of instruction has opened a wider horizon for them? In the last three hundred years, aside from a few exceptional cases, some of which appear unbelievably miraculous, all the successes in life of the orally-taught deaf have been more than matched by the achievements of other deaf people who were trained in schools employing a combination of methods suitable to individual cases.

While it might be interesting to present a comparison of the products of the single-method schools, and of those permitting a free use of the manual alphabet at all times and of signs outside the classrooms, the striking consideration is that, in the face of terrible warnings of teachers who are not deaf, and who have no comprehension of what deafness entails, the perverse sign-makers are being continually increased by graduates of oral schools; that the two groups mingle freely, and even intermarry; that all join together in a common cause to maintain the rights of their fellows; that they are always in the van in opposing the enactment of unfair legislation affecting schools for the deaf and combatting whatsoever may harm the deaf as a group. They attend to matters that the hearing world overlooks, and has to be prodded to recognize and remedy. Human nature will have its way and bring together the adult deaf, without regard to schools and systems that call it isolation from the world of the hearing.

And, somehow the deaf do not feel that they are thus isolated; they manage in their own way to meet the conditions of life as presented to them. At home and at business they are with the hearing world for the greater part of their daily lives. As occasion moves them, they gather together for religious services, mutual benefit and social pleasure—and apparently thrive; so, why worry over a natural propensity, common to mankind, which leads them to seek social relaxation meeting their needs, through mingling with others who are deaf like themselves, of like sympathies, and whom they have no difficulty in understanding!

MEMBERS of the National Association of the Deaf who may desire to present papers for discussion at the forthcoming convention, will kindly assist the Program Committee by communicating their intentions to the Chairman Thomas F. Fox, 930 Riverside Drive, New York City, N. Y.

West Point was first occupied as a military post by the United States on January 20th, 1778. The first superintendent was Major Jonathan Williams.

## GALLAUDET COLLEGE

By Felix Kowalewski

Easter Sunday and not the first of January is considered by many to be the real beginning of a New Year. Evening campus privileges started on Easter Sunday, and every evening, between six-thirty and seven, the campus is dotted with strolling couples.

Spring is really here at last, and Kendall Green is beginning to look new and fresh. Yet something seemed strangely missing—something very familiar, yet I could not say what. The other day I went all over the Green trying to find out what was missing. The squirrels are still here and growing ever bolder, even going as far as house-breaking (the co-eds have to shut their windows to keep them out). There are not so many starlings this year. Then a light broke on me—where is Douglas Craig? He has not been seen on the grounds for the last few weeks. Inquiries among the students showed that no one seemed to know. There is talk of organizing a "search party" and it is hoped we can have something to say about old Douglas next week.

The College gardeners have been very busy during the last week. Bare patches on the campus have been done over and reseeded, dead trees have been uprooted and others trimmed and pruned. Several new trees were bought to replace those uprooted, and were presented to each of the four upper classes.

On Thursday afternoon, April 5th, these classes assembled around their respective trees, and after Dr. Hall had heaved the first spadeful of turf around the roots, the rest of the class solemnly tucked in more turf. The Class of 1934 tree, a red maple, is situated on the west campus; the 1935 tree, a pin oak, on the front campus; the 1936 tree, an elm, also on the front campus; and the 1937 tree, a red maple, near the old gym.

Wednesday afternoon, April 4th, the Tenth Legion (Freshman Latin Club) met in Fowler Hall from four to six. The meeting opened with a debate: *Resloved*, That present-day life is much better than that of Ancient Rome. The negative side, consisting of Misses Vera Thompson and Alice Lusk, won over the affirmative side, which was championed by Misses Edna Paananen and Georgiana Krepela.

Jack Montgomery rendered an amusing parody of Maltbie Babcock's famous poem "Be Strong," using it to refer to the class struggles with Caesar and Cicero. A special election was held for a committee of arrangements for the forthcoming banquet to be held in town on May 26th. Mrs. Harriet Gough, Latin Instructor, was elected Chairman, with Misses Alice Lusk, Georgiana Krepela, and Dorothy Hays, and Messrs. Alfred Hoffmeister and John Davis as assistants.

Sara Stickney Hall will be the name given to the little daughter, of Mr. and Mrs. Percival Hall, Jr. The little one is now about two weeks old and mighty strong and kicking.

At a recent meeting of the members of the Literary Society in the Lyceum, the following were elected as officers of the Society for the Third Term: Philip Hanover, '35, president; Lester Stanfill, '36, vice-president; Gordon Hirschy, '36, secretary; and Louis Jozefoski, '37, treasurer. A meeting will be held in Chapel Hall this Friday evening, the 13th, with Prof. Frederick Hughes as the principal speaker.

The Constitution and By Laws of the G. C. A. A. are now being revised. Several long and stormy debates have been held over the revisions, one of them being as to whether or not wrestling should be promoted from a minor sport to a major sport. It was finally voted

upon and an overwhelming majority voted for its promotion. Most of the boys of the team are keeping in shape for coming A. A. U. tournament, which will be held sometime in May. The other students are at present busy with the minor sports, and also practicing for the Interclass Track Meet, which will be held at Hotchkiss Field this Saturday afternoon. A party in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Hughes will be given in Chapel Hall the same evening.

Miss Elizabeth Peet, Dean of Women, seems to have been bitten with the wanderlust of late. Shortly after her return from Ohio, she voiced her decision to buy a car in the near future. Last week she carried out her decision, and the driveway in front of Fowler Hall is now graced with a new Chevrolet coupe, light green and black in color, and with all the latest fixings. Miss Nelson's Chevrolet "Joe" will not be so lonely after this.

The students are looking forward to the Spring Vacation which begins on the 21st. The boys will spend the week at Camp Roosevelt on the Chesapeake Bay in Maryland, and the girls at Camp Kahlert. They will return on the 28th, and the Motion Picture Committee wishes to call the attention of outsiders to the show to be given for the benefit of the G. C. A. A. Endowment Fund on that evening.

Friday, April 6th, was "Ladies Night" in Chapel Hall. The co-eds gave a party in honor of the boys who won the competitive plays held last Christmas. Amusing games were played and delicious refreshments served. The boys wish to express their sincere thanks to the Committee and to the co-eds for the enjoyable evening and swellegant refreshments.

Saturday morning, April 7th, started off with a regular April shower, but nothing daunted the Sophomore Class piled into a special bus and rumbled off to Great Falls for their Class Outing. Towards noon the skies cleared up and the sun was warm enough for the rest of the day to give a beautiful sunburn to Mr. Powrie Doctor, who was acting as chaperon with Miss Elizabeth Benson. After a real camp luncheon of hot hamburgers, the rest of the afternoon was spent in climbing all over the bluffs overlooking the Falls. More than half of the Class are semi-mutes, and the chaperons were almost deafened by their uproarious singing on the return trip.

The evening of April 7th was a red letter day for the members of the Gallaudet College Athletic Association when the Twenty-fourth Annual Supper of the Association was held in the Men's Refectory. The Rev. H. L. Tracy gave a short prayer before the meal progressed. The following menu was served:

Honey Dew and Orange Cocktail	Olives
Celery	Gallaudet Fried Chicken
Mashed Potatoes	New Peas
Buttered Carrots	Hot French Rolls
Peach Waldorf Salad	Fancy Cookies
Ice-Cream	Nuts
Mints	Coffee

After the tables had been cleared, Mr. Thomas Ulmer, '34, toast-master, called upon President Hall for a short talk. Mr. Day, formerly of the College Faculty, was next called upon to deliver a few words. Robert Horgen, '35, gave a talk.

Then Mr. Walter Krug, basketball coach, presented "G" awards to the players who had made good during the past season. He not only presented them with letters but presented them with appropriate nicknames. The following boys received awards: "Minute Man" Heimo Antila, (Captain). "Ohio Trail Blazer" George Brown, "Wild Westerner" Ken Burdette, "Goal Shooter" Seth Crockett (who got that way from his distinguished Redskin-shooting ancestor, the Great Davy).

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## PHILADELPHIA

News items for this column should be sent to Howard S. Ferguson, 250 W. Sparks St., Olney, Philadelphia, Pa.

The Easter services at All Souls' Church on Easter afternoon attracted a very large congregation of deaf people, there being about 160 in attendance, of which ninety-five participated in Holy Communion. The chancel of the church was beautifully decorated with Easter flowers and provided a lovely setting from which the Vicar, the Rev. Henry J. Pulver, delivered a very interesting sermon. Many out-of-town deaf were in attendance. After the services and later on toward evening, a supper was served to those who stayed. The day was fittingly brought to a close when reels of motion pictures, dealing on the life of our Lord, Jesus Christ, were shown. The attendance at the movies was estimated to be about 125.

On Thursday evening April 5th the Vestry of All Souls' were elected and resulted in the following: Warden, Mr. Charles Partington; Clerk, Mr. Elmer Mock; Accounting Warden, Mr. William Rothmund, and Messrs. William H. Lipsett, James S. Reider, Melvin Ruthven, and Walter Jacob.

The basketball five of All Souls' closed their season recently when they went down to a 33 to 20 defeat handed them by one of strongest semi-pro teams in Philadelphia. The season was very successful considering this was their first year in existence when they won thirty games and dropped only ten. Manager William Walker says that with the coming season he expects to have a stronger team represent the church.

Friday evening, April 6th, was "Billy Goat" Nite at the monthly meeting of Philadelphia Division, No. 30, N. F. S. D. The affair attracted about the largest gathering of Frats that jammed their way in the lodge room for many a moon. Fraters from out of town were sprinkled around the room and those who had come from Wilmington, Del., Reading, Allentown, Sellersville and Providence, R. I., expressed the very elegant way the initiation ceremony was performed. Eight novices, William Rowe, Henry Minnick, Luther Wood, Charles Di Chiacchio, Mason Summerill, Chas. Wunger, Ben Urofsky and Mike Prokopik, were butted all over the landscape and learned a great deal of the ways of the N. F. S. Reading Division was kind enough to lend Philadelphia some of her apparatus and this tended to make the meeting more enjoyable. During the meeting there was a drawing for a little Boston bull terrier donated by Brother Mowbray and was won by William Funk. The money raised went to pay for Brother Mowbray's dress as he has been sick a long time.

It was announced during the meeting that the Frats will hold a card party in the Silent Athletic Club rooms on Saturday evening, April 21st. A nominal fee of only ten cents will be charged. Prizes will be awarded winners.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sack took advantage of the beautiful Easter day and motored down to Wilmington, Del., to visit relatives and friends.

The Seder Services on March 31st attracted 140 Jewish deaf. Rabbi Millgrim, of Beth Israel Temple, interpreted by Mrs. Rose Olanoff, delivered the sermon. As the Mt. Airy School was under quarantine, the Jewish pupils there were unable to attend.

Mrs. Joseph Bollitzer (nee Blanche Potomkin) and child, of New York, were in Philadelphia for the Passover and left for home on the 9th of April. She was entertained last Wednesday, the 4th, at a luncheon and bridge by Mrs. Nathan Schwartz. The guests included Mrs. Sylvan Stern, Mrs. Pearl Berk, Mrs. Dave Singerman, and Mrs. H. Segal, sister of Mrs. Schwartz.

Dave Singerman was tendered a surprise birthday party on April 1st. Twenty of his friends were there and

helped him eat up his birthday cake.

Mrs. Bernard Teitelbaum, (nee Dorothy Light) paid Philly a visit recently and visited some of her friends here before proceeding to New York to stay for a week.

Business must be picking up among the deaf of Philly as Hyman Krakover, brother of Leon, and Alex Hoffman, have purchased new automobiles. The former bought a sport roadster Nash, while the latter picked out a Chevrolet sedan. Wonder who's next?

The Kiers, of Chestnut Hill, gave a party in honor of their fifth wedding anniversary last April 7th. Twenty people were present and sat down to a bountiful repast. The only thing missing at the meal was frizzled beef, Mr. Kier's greatest weakness. Many beautiful gifts were presented to the pair. They have a child four years old, named Rhoda, who was the life of the party till it was her bedtime.

### Hearing With Fingers

Moved by the devastating effect of social isolation on the deaf, Professor Robert H. Gault, psychologist of Northwestern University and director of the American Institution for the Deaf-Blind, has for years conducted research which has had its effect. Out of his work has come a method of interpreting speech and music through the fingers. Teletaction is the name of this new art.

Professor Gault believes in lip-reading and all the other means of teaching the deaf by way of the eye. He is also sure that the flow or melody of speech can never be taught thus. The staccato, monotonous speech of most deaf people he attributes to overemphasis upon the correct placing of organs in producing particular sounds. The eye cannot make the necessary corrections adequately. Good speech-readers are rare, for the simple reason that the movements of the human face, tongue and larynx are so rapid, so subtle, often so imperceptible that they cannot be readily followed. As a result the deaf man who relies on his eyes alone must infer a good deal—jump at meanings.

With his teletactor Professor Gault overcomes most of these difficulties. Trained by its strong vibrations, the fingers become new sense organs—learn to interpret sound almost as well as if they were ears.

The teletactor is a modified telephone receiver but with a powerful means of amplifying vibrations. The teacher (or for that matter a deaf pupil bent on self-improvement) talks into a highly sensitive microphone of the radio kind. His voice, converted into electrical impulses, is carried to the fingers and tremendously amplified. There may be as many as forty receivers in a classroom. The deaf learner puts his hand or a finger on the receiver. He feels the vibrations and learns to associate them with words.

In the State School for the Deaf at Jacksonville, Ill., for example, each pupil has a receiver or vibrator at his desk, on which he rests his fingers, and a microphone. The teacher also has a microphone. She can talk to the whole class by making all the receivers vibrate at once. By throwing the proper switch she can let any one pupil speak, while his thirty-nine classmates listen with their fingers. If any one thinks he can do better than Tommy, who happens to be speaking, he is at liberty to try. Thus a healthy rivalry is aroused, which cultivates a desire to watch and feel and to talk correctly.

What Professor Gault has done is to heighten the efficiency of the fingers in feeling sound vibrations. They already feel much, but not enough when it comes to the sounds of very high pitch, which at best are usually lost to any but young normal ears. Provide an apparatus which will multiply the intensity of sound vibrations a thousand times, and it is clear that the fingers can distinguish subtleties that would otherwise be lost. It is like bringing a distant object nearer by means of a telescope.

Take a word like "typewriter" or "recognition." Aided by the teletactor the fingers mark the accented syllables much more easily than is possible with the eye. So it is with noting the accented words and the cadences of sentences. The eye tells little or nothing about loudness or intensities of vibrations. But the teletactor distinguishes clearly in either respect. Easily recognized sound patterns are formed.

The deaf pupil learns to talk with a more natural intonation than if he were left to make his inferences from the eye alone. In fact, teletaction tends to do for a deaf man's manner of speaking what a year in England does for those who hear. He acquires what we call an accent. And most astonishing of all, Professor Gault's recent work shows that even one who is blind and deaf may acquire the feel of music and learn to play the piano with a passable technique.—*New York Times, April 8th.*

Identification by means of finger prints was used in China as far back as 700 A.D.

## Baltimore, Md.

March was comparatively a quiet one, with a few small parties here and there. We had two snowfalls, but the snow hardly remained on ground long, and the winds for which March is traditionally noted hardly got a start so far. Men are seen once more pattering around their gardens. It were reported that the majority of roses were damaged by the near-zero freeze of last February.

Mr. Harry F. Achey, long a resident of the Baltimore City Hospital, passed away February 28th. He was well in the seventies, and had been losing sight as result of kidney trouble. He was an expert cigar-maker in the days when cigars were made by hand.

The Silent Orioles gave a card party at the hall of Premier Building March 21st, which over fifty people attended. Several prizes were given to the highest scorers.

The bowling tournament between the "Deaf Fraternities" (as that congenial manager of the hall so expressed) Washington and Baltimore, took place at Patterson Bowling Hall in South Baltimore March 24th, under the management of Chairman J. Pfeiler. The losing team of Baltimore was consoled by the victory which their feminine bowlers scored over the visiting ladies from Washington. The writer was unable to get hold of the scores to print herein.

Miss Emma Corneliusen, a charming co-ed '34, from Gallaudet College, spent the week-end of March 24th, at the Overlea School as guest of Margaret McKellar, a teacher there. There was something in her manner which won the hearts of all who met her. We wish her all possible success and happiness in the new work which awaits her at Fanwood School the coming fall.

Mrs. Margaret Rebal is once more with us after a lengthy absence of about one month, which she spent with her mother who came from Kansas City to visit with the other daughter at Chicago. Frank Rebal's famous grin is in evidence now.

The F. F. F. S. girls hold a special meeting at the home of Mrs. Helen Leitner, March 15th, with Margaret McKellar acting as hostess of the evening.

Elizabeth Moss, who teaches at Indianapolis, writes that she had purchased a new Plymouth coupe which she finds more pleasing than the old Chevrolet that she disposed of last fall. She was invited to make a trip to Alaska in a party of teachers under the leadership of a well-known traveler and lecturer. Though how tempting the invitation was, she had made up her mind to be with us as much of the summer as she can spare.

A card from New York City reveals that Lillian Sacks is spending her Easter vacation at the Metropolis where she used to work a few years ago, before her marriage to the late Mr. Sacks, of Detroit. She is now an instructor in sewing at the Overlea School.

Mabel Savage, sister of Esther Herdtfelder, returned to her home at South Dakota by a cross-continental bus a few weeks ago after a prolonged visit of nearly two years with the Herdtfelders. She will take care of her other sister's children while the mother goes to hospital for an operation. We all miss her greatly, and hope that she will come back as soon as things are straightened out there. Mabel was an efficient housekeeper, and Esther declared that she felt quite lost without her.

John Wallace should be several pounds lighter now, considering the considerable loss of blood experienced in the past year. A piece of glass dropped and pierced an artery in one of his hands while he worked at the greenhouses, causing an ugly wound that kept his hand in bandages two weeks. Less than a year ago, in a blood transfusion, he gave over a pint of blood in a vain effort to save his wife's cousin who was fami-

liarly known to many of the deaf here as "Lucy." She died after a brief illness.

We received today word that our popular Mrs. F. Rebal is going to the hospital tomorrow for an operation. All her friends join in wishing her a speedy recovery.

J.

April 1st.

The deaf in general will agree with the following statement, as published recently in the *New York Times*:

Miss Mary Pickford blamed the advent of the talking pictures yesterday for making motion pictures "tiring and provincial" and thereby causing the industry to lose "the world's market." She declared that in the days of silent pictures "the screen was the greatest ambassador of them all."

Miss Pickford, who was the guest of honor at a luncheon of the Association of Foreign Press Correspondents at the Sherry-Netherland Hotel, said she would be "bitterly disappointed" if Charlie Chaplin speaks in his next picture.

Saying that there would be a minimum of dialogue in her next film, Miss Pickford asserted that dialogue tends to complicate and slow-up the action of the story.

Stressing the fact that the "story" was the most important factor in a motion picture, she said, "I have never seen good acting save a poor story, but I have often seen a good story save poor acting."

Miss Pickford classed treatment second, direction third and acting fourth as the next most important factors in a film.

### National Association of the Deaf

#### Office of the President

As announced some time ago in the official call the National Association of the Deaf holds its Seventeenth Triennial Convention at the Hotel Pennsylvania, New York City, from July 23 to 28, 1934, Monday to Saturday, inclusive.

The Association has set in motion an "On to New York" movement in some parts of the country in the form of boosters for our Convention, who are supplied with all the necessary information, literature, etc.

If special cars will be chartered or parties made up at some of the large cities, it will be announced in this paper and those residing in other parts desiring to join should write our representative nearest them for full particulars. Be sure to ask for a certificate plan receipt that a reduced returning fare may be secured.

The list of our boosters follows:

Buffalo, N. Y., James J. Coughlin, 317 Walnut Street, chairman, Sol. D. Weil and Miss Agnes Palmgren make up a committee for that city.

Chicago, Ill., J. Frederick Meagher, 3135 Eastwood Avenue.

Akron, O., Kreigh B. Ayers, 1795 Malasia Road.

Boston, Mass., Rev. J. Stanley Light, 68 Bernard Street, Dorchester Center 24, Mass.

Pittsburgh, Pa., Bernard Teitelbaum, 552 Beacon Street.

Philadelphia, Pa., Rev. Henry J. Pulver, 3226 North 16th Street.

Washington, D. C., Roy J. Stewart, 1008 Park Road, N. W.

Memphis, Tenn., John A. Todd, 396 Walker Avenue.

Dallas, Tex., Troy E. Hill, District Clerk's Office.

Detroit, Mich., Thomas J. Kenney, 15327 Cherrylawn Avenue.

Rochester, N. Y., Clayton L. McLaughlin, School for the Deaf.

St. Louis, Mo., William H. Schaub, 1019 Hamilton Boulevard.

It does not mean that the above list is complete or restricted; any one can be a booster. Upon application Marcus L. Kenner, Chairman of the New York City N. A. D. Local Committee, 114 West 27th Street, New York City, will gladly furnish all desired information.

WILLIAM H. SCHAUB,  
President.

The Poles are ethnologically a branch of the Slavs. Their original history is obscure. The first historical Polish ruler, Mieczyslaw (960-992), became a convert to Christianity, and Poland took rank as one of the political powers of Europe. He was succeeded by his son, Boleslas I (992-1025), who extended his kingdom beyond the Oder, the Carpathians and the Dniester. He was recognized as king by the German emperors.



## PENNSYLVANIA

A very pleasant social followed the church services in Erie on March 24th. A splendid collation was served, after which various of those present enjoyed dancing, etc.

After losing the first joint of his second finger by slamming an automobile door on it, Theodore Arens, of Erie, is now going about with his thumb in bandages. This time it was the garage door that did the slamming.

Back in 1931 Leonard Wilson was satisfactorily employed with the Greiner Bakery at Indiana. But the plant burned down, and left him without a job until recently. Now he is working in a silk mill at Reynoldsville.

The Rev. Warren M. Smaltz was the guest overnight of Mr. and Mrs. Merritt W. Postlethwaite, of Punxsutawney, on March 20th, and reports having had a wonderful time. Mr. Postlethwaite is a paper hanger, in business for himself. But above all else, he is a veteran deer hunter. In the past twenty years he has shot seventeen deer, and his home is fairly cluttered up with trophies of the hunt, which include mounted heads fashioned into hat racks, smoking stands supported on deer legs, and ash trays made with antlers. The deaf clergyman was about to concede that Mr. Postlethwaite is the champion Pennsylvania nimrod, when he learned that it was Lloyd Stoner, of Connoquessing, who first taught Postlethwaite the fine points of deer stalking. So to Connoquessing he went, and called upon the Stoners. Followed more discussion of forest lore. Then he proceeded on to Ellwood City, and in company with George Burns and Hiram Bookamer, went to view the mounted trophies from forest and stream of a Mr. Kimmich. All this on one day! To wind up, he negotiated for the purchase of a hunting lodge up in Elk County, as representative for a group of sportsmen from Lebanon and Pine Grove.

It looks as if Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Mitchell of Punxsutawney live by the calendar. Their oldest child is a daughter, born to them on July 4th. On February 14th, St. Valentine's Day, Mrs. Mitchell gave birth to a fine baby girl weighing 9 pounds. She has been named Mary Josephine.

For the benefit of those who wonder what has become of Milton Nelson, it is mentioned that he now resides at Punxsutawney, is married, and has a six years old daughter. He is employed on a CWA project.

Wilbur Lattimer is learning linotyping. He works two days a week on the Punxsutawney *Spirit*.

Believe it or not, Jethro Jacoby of Dixonville has been working with a section gang on the tracks of the Pennsylvania Railroad for the past nine years. Yes, he is stone deaf. But then, his father is gang foreman, which explains a lot.

Mrs. Amelia Knoedler of Trevorton has been quite ill for some time. On March 17th, she observed her 73rd birthday anniversary.

Shoe repairing is a large favorite among the Pennsylvania deaf who like to run a business of their own. Albert Vivino of Mt. Carmel owns his own shop in Ashland. It is located near the Leoper Hotel, in the heart of the town, and is very modernly equipped. He does an excellent amount of business.

After the church services at Trinity Church, Shamokin, on March 27th, the silent congregation all repaired to the parish house. Then, under the leadership of Miss Grace Clews, some hilarious and enjoyable games were played. Dancing also claimed those who enjoy that. Some 25 of the deaf were there.

Mildred Shoup, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Shoup of Franklin, is eight years old and eighteen years smart! Besides getting 10's for her excellent recitations in school, she has long had a habit of finding dimes. Along came March 10th. In company with Paige Colegrove she went into the local Isaly's ice-cream parlor

for some refreshments. Casually enough she stooped down and picked up something. It was a ten-dollar bill. There were no claimants, so the ten-spot is still hers.

Orel Davis of Oil City was the guest over night of the Alexander Shoups at Franklin, on March 22d.

In fact, the Shoups seem to be always entertaining some guest or other! Mrs. Leone Schoch spent March 17th and 18th with them. And Mrs. Florence Blackhall of Emlenton was their guest during March 9th, to 11th, inclusive.

There is no depression as far as the Misses Margaret Hahn and Margaret Claypoole, of Titusville, are concerned. They are both employed by the same silk mill, and are working practically full time.

According to announcements sent to various of the alumni, the next reunion at Le Couteux St. Mary's School, Buffalo, will be held next July 6th to 8th, inclusive.

Agnes Gruber of Franklin observed her birthday anniversary on March 17th. In addition to hearing friends, the deaf present included Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Shoup, Mrs. Augusta Colegrove, Misses Orel Davis and Mildred Shoup, Mrs. Leone Schoch, and Messrs. Robert Colegrove, Harold Aylesworth, and James Green. A number of fine gifts were presented.

That must have been a hot letter that John Johnson of Franklin was writing to his sweetie on March 22d. He was not half finished, when his mother dashed into the room to tell him that the roof of the house was on fire. Out rushed John, grabbed an extension ladder, and with the strength born of necessity raised it up to the roof. By that time the usual crowd had collected. A bucket brigade was formed. John climbed to the roof, and in a few minutes he had extinguished the fire. But not before a hole three feet in diameter had been burned through the roof. Hereafter John ought to write his love letters on asbestos paper. Officially, the cause of the blaze has not been determined.

In the presence of a congregation that filled Christ Church, Oil City, on Sunday morning, March 25th, the Rev. Warren M. Smaltz presented to the Right Reverend John Chamberlain Ward, D.D., Bishop of Erie, for the rite of Confirmation, the following: Wilbur D. Brant and Bernice V. Brant, of Meadville; Mildred T. Shoup, Augusta M. Colgrove, and John A. Johnson, of Franklin; and Orel L. Davis and Daphne Leone Schoch, of Oil City. The Bishop's sermon was interpreted to the deaf by Miss Paige Colegrove. Last February 21st the Rev. Mr. Smaltz preached the mid-week Lenten sermon to the hearing congregation in the same church.

Mrs. Harry L. Coulston, of Nisbet, has been in indifferent health for some time. She may have to enter a hospital at Williamsport for surgical treatment.

Harry Coulston and Hartley Davis have been remodeling and enlarging the former's home at Nisbet. That is one way to overcome unemployment. Until recently they were engaged in C. W. A. work.

Thirty of the local deaf gathered in Mr. and Mrs. Louis Berger's home at Williamsport for a St. Patrick's Day party on March 17th.

*Grit* is a Williamsport newspaper that enjoys a very wide circulation, and has many deaf readers. It may interest them to know that Miss Hazel R. Cochran has been employed in the circulation department of that publication for the past twelve years.

March 24th was genial Gus M. Fahnestock's birthday anniversary. Never in the sixty-five years of his life had he had a birthday party. Accordingly, a number of friends proceeded to his home in Muncy, and succeeded handsomely in giving him a grand surprise. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. James Hart and daughter, June; Mr. and Mrs. Louis Berger and their two daughters, Ruth and Rose; Mr. and Mrs. James Banghart, Mrs. Tillie Dalton, Mrs. Roy Long, the Rev. Squire B. Schofield and

daughter, Gladys; Mr. and Mrs. Robert McLaughlin and their two children, June and Billy; and Mr. and Mrs. Augustus M. Fahnestock.

The Rev. Warren M. Smaltz was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Reinhardt, of Sharon, on March 22d.

From a recent issue of the Donora *Herald-American* we quote the following:—

"An image of apparently miraculous nature, unexplained and to all appearances unexplainable, was discovered on a window curtain in a home in Monessen over a week ago, it was made public today, and the photo-like reproduction of a human face has been viewed by many persons who confess they are completely mystified by the phenomenon.

Identified as a faithful reproduction of the countenance of a five-year-old girl who died thirty-eight years ago—a deceased sister of Mrs. Cora Acton, in whose home the image has appeared—neighbors and friends of the family have viewed the likeness, have compared it with a picture of the girl taken before her death, and can offer nothing in the way of explanation. The child's name was Susan Fleming, sister of Mrs. Acton, who died at the age of five years."

The child referred to in the above clipping was a sister of Mrs. Elizabeth Reese of Monessen. Mrs. Reese said that the image is slowly fading. But she can give no explanation for its initial appearance. Mrs. Reese lives in the same house with her sister, Mrs. Acton.

An uncle of John C. Etter of Lancaster passed away on March 9th. He was the late Joseph Etter, and was 84 years old. Had made his home with Mr. and Mrs. Etter for the past year or so. Interment was on March 12th.

And Miss Annie Brunner of Lancaster has suffered the loss by death of a sister, who passed away in New York on March 18th. Interment occurred on the 20th. Miss Brunner makes her home with the Purvises of Lancaster.

Another death is that of George B. Miller, brother of W. Scott B. Miller, who passed away at Atglen on March 19th. He had been employed as a tower operator on the Pennsylvania Railroad for the past 37 years, and Scott had made his home with him for about four years, or since the beginning of the depression. Burial services were held on March 23d. Scott is now residing at Witmer, Lancaster County.

After having been employed by a florist at Elmira, N. Y., for over a year, Richard LeVan has removed to Endicott, N. Y. There he has secured steady employment as a painter, in the large factories of the Endicott-Johnson Shoe Company. Formerly he resided at Pottsville.

Daniel Denlinger announces that he will stage a social in St. John's parish house, Lancaster, on May 5th, for the benefit of the silent mission there. The time set is 7:30 P.M., and a good time is promised to all.

Easter Day was bright and glorious throughout nearly all of Pennsylvania, and crowds of the deaf flocked to the Easter Communion service in the Chapel of St. Mary the Virgin, St. John's Church, Lancaster. Every available seat was occupied by the record breaking crowd. After the service, Parke Smith announced that he had brought his camera, and proposed to take pictures of pastor and congregation. All repaired to the steps outside the church and posed for the pictures. After taking two "snap-shots," Parke announced casually that he had forgotten to bring along any films. Slowly, it dawned upon the Rev. Warren M. Smaltz and his flock that Easter Day was also All Fool's Day.

That wasn't all. The Rev. Mr. Smaltz stopped at William Blessing's gas station in Harrisburg to have his tank filled. "Sorry to tell you, but your tire is going flat," announced William. The clergyman climbed out of his Buick in dismay. "April fool!" grinned William, happily. "Oh, well," said the Reverend gentleman, "I'd rather be fooled than have an honest to goodness flat tire."

From the Pottsville *Republican* of March 28th we quote the following:

"Thomas J. Larkin, Jr., of 1976 Howard Avenue, died at his home on Wednesday morning. He had been ill for the past several weeks. His death occurred a few minutes after 11 o'clock, and was unexpected.

Tommy, as he was more familiarly known to his many friends and acquaintances, was born at Branchdale. He was a son of the late Thomas J. Larkin, who for many years conducted a hotel at Branchdale. He was a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church. To survive him he leaves two sisters, Miss Ella Larkin, and Irene, wife of Dr. J. F. Nash, Pottsville physician. Undertaker Luther Hall took charge of the body and arranged the funeral."

Mrs. Charles W. Waterhouse of Camden, N. J., visited her parents at Glen Rock, March 30 to April 2, inclusive.

Michael Weidman of Springsbury is up and about again, after about eleven weeks of painful illness as a victim of neuritis and rheumatism. Friends were agreeably surprised to see him walk into St. John's Church, York, for the Easter Communion service. However, he still experiences some discomfort in his joints, but hopes that he will soon be completely cured.

The York deaf held a business meeting in the parish house of St. John's Church on March 17th. At the meeting Mesdames Fauth, Boyd, Bentzel, and J. E. Markel were elected a committee to manage socials, etc., for the benefit of the silent mission. And Paul E. Fauth was elected mission treasurer.

At the same meeting new officers were elected to hear the P. S. A. D. local branch of York. The presidency went to Clair Spangler. Raymond Price was elected vice-president and secretary; and Myrtus March, treasurer. The trustees are Paul E. Fauth, William Hain, and Lester F. Price.

Now the York deaf announce a Strawberry Festival for the benefit of the silent mission, to be held on Saturday evening, June 2d, at 7 to 11 P.M. An admission of twenty-five cents will include the berries and ice-cream. And of course they will have home-made cake, of the incomparable Pennsylvania Dutch variety, and other delicacies. And for good measure, they hope to secure a lecturer to add further variety to the entertainment promised.

Miss Edna Rodewig of York was the guest of Miss Helen Smith of Lancaster over the weekend of March 23d.

William Blessing expects soon to secure employment at the Junior High School in Harrisburg. It is a political appointment. He has been associated with his father in the gas station and oil business at Harrisburg for the past six years.

The Harrisburg local branch of the P. S. A. D. will sponsor another one of the famed Hershey picnics this year. The date has been definitely set for Sunday, June 24th. William Blessing will head the committee in charge of the affair, assisted by Arden Ederly, J. M. Blottenberger, Charles Blessing, and others of the Harrisburg deaf. Last year the Hershey picnic drew a crowd estimated at over 700. This year will probably exceed that number, because of improved industrial conditions that are now very noticeable throughout the state.

### Bronze Tablet in Memory of Mr. Hodgson

To be placed on the wall of the New York School for the Deaf (Fanwood). Contributions can be handed to the committee, or sent direct to the Treasurer, 99 Fort Washington Avenue. All contributions will be acknowledged in the DEAF-MUTES' JOURNAL. Committee: A. Capelle, E. Souweine, Max Miller, Dr. Thomas F. Fox, Treasurer.

Previously acknowledged..... \$169 25  
Mr. and Mrs. A. Lichtblau..... 1 00  
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Krieger..... 1 00  
Morris Fleischer..... 1 00

Total..... \$172 25

Henry Ford brought out his first automobile in 1896.



## Canadian News

News items for this column, and subscriptions, may be sent to Mrs. A. M. Adam, 143 Grant Avenue, Hamilton, Ont., Canada.

### SPRING WILL SOON BE HERE

Can't you see old winter's going,  
Though he tries so hard to stay;  
That his clutching, icy fingers  
Weaken, loosen day by day?

Can't you see the sun is shining  
Stronger, brighter every day;  
That the snow and ice are melting  
'Neath its warm, benignant ray?

Don't you know that in the south lands,  
Where the days are warm and bright,  
All our birds are getting ready  
For their long and northward flight?

Don't you feel the pulsing, throbbing,  
Underneath the frozen earth?  
It is nature all aquiver  
With the joy of coming birth.

Can't you hear the happy murmur,  
As she whispered words of cheer:  
'Old King Winter's reign is ending  
And the spring will soon be here'?

ANNIE M. ADAM.

### KITCHENER

We all heartily welcome our new Canadian correspondent and feel that the Editor could not have made a better choice when he appointed Mrs. A. M. Adam, of Hamilton, as successor to Mr. H. W. Roberts, of Toronto. We wish Mrs. Adam great success in her new undertaking.

At our last meeting, when Mr. Howard Lloyd, of Brantford, was here, two very pretty songs were rendered, the first by Mrs. T. S. Williams and the second by Mrs. Lucille B. Moynihan and Miss Pola Prus.

The beloved father of Mr. A. S. Martin, of Waterloo, is very seriously ill at time of writing.

Our Bible classes are becoming more popular than ever and the last one was held at Mrs. Moynihan's cozy apartment, where a dainty lunch was served at the close.

Herbert Hagen, the eldest son of Mr. William Hagen, has secured work at the Cluett & Peabody Co., where his father works, and where his deceased grandfather worked too.

### HAMILTON

The Hamilton Social Club of the Deaf held their usual monthly meeting, in the Parish Hall of All Saints' Church, on Saturday evening, March 24th. There was a full turnout of members. The guest speaker of the evening was Mr. John T. Shilton, of Toronto. Mr. Shilton gave a most interesting address, taking as his subject the Shakespearean play, "Hamlet, Prince of Denmark," and afterwards related entertaining stories illustrative of the wonderful homing instinct of carrier pigeons.

Mr. Shilton is an ever-welcome visitor to the deaf of Hamilton, who, on this occasion, showed their appreciation and esteem by presenting him with a week-end bag. Mr. Shilton expressed his thanks and appreciation of the kind thought, and promised to bring it back to Hamilton again and again.

A very pleasant evening ended with the serving of refreshments provided by some of the lady members of the club.

On Sunday Mr. Shilton gave an inspiring sermon on "Believing and Seeing," reading from John, 20:119 to 31.

As reported previously, the social club of the Women's Sewing Club will wind up the season with a social, on the 12th of May, which will be held in the National Building, Hughson Street, North. A varied program of games will be arranged, and there will be a number of good and useful prizes. The first prize will be a beautiful quilt made by Mrs. Angus Quick. Mrs. Quick is well known amongst the deaf for her lovely quilting work.

Miss Clara Hartley, of Milton, was in Hamilton on a recent Saturday, on a shopping expedition, but did not have time to visit any of her deaf friends.

Friend Mrs. C. Taylor, of Council

No. 118 of the Canadian Order of Chosen Friends, entertained at a St. Patrick's Day euchre party, at the home of Mrs. W. Adamson on March 17th. Twenty-five friends were present. Prizes were won by Mrs. H. Breen, Miss H. Smith, Mr. Carl Harris, Mr. James Harrison, Mr. J. Gil-martin, and Mr. W. Adamson. Refreshments were then served by Mrs. Taylor and Mrs. Adamson.

Mr. Jesse Batstone, who had been working in Galt for some time, spent the Easter week-end at his home in Hamilton and called on Mr. and Mrs. Norman Gleadow on Sunday evening before returning to Galt. Mr. Batstone reports that all the deaf of Galt are busy at work, and are presently looking out for a hall in which to have their party on the 21st of April.

With Norman Gleadow as pioneer, quite a number of the deaf of Hamilton have taken to stamp-collecting as a hobby, and when some of the enthusiasts foregather, they may be found with their heads together, admiring, classifying and exchanging stamps. Philately is a good hobby for the deaf, as it is both interesting and educational.

The Sewing Club met at the home of Mrs. Carl Harris on April 4th, when a very pleasant evening was spent. During the past three or four years the club membership has more than trebled. Several hearing ladies, friends or relatives of the deaf, having joined, and attend the meetings regularly and entertain the club at their homes, in turn with the deaf members.

About a dozen friends planned a surprise party for Mr. William Hacking, on the occasion of his birthday. Mrs. Hacking, who was in on the secret, arranged to get her husband out of the way while the "party" filed in. Upon his return, Mr. Hacking was completely taken by surprise to find a room full of his friends. He was touched and pleased when they presented him with a pair of driving gloves, and expressing his thanks, said they were just what he had been wishing for. An hour or two was spent very pleasantly playing euchre, etc., after which a lunch was served before the visitors left.

Mrs. Howard Breen was very much pleased to have a visit from her mother, who remained over Easter. Mrs. Rees has quite recovered from her recent illness, and Mrs. Breen and family were glad to have her with them again, having missed her usual Christmas visit.

A. M. ADAM.

### To Organize Association of Deaf Citizens

SCHENECTADY, N. Y., April 1.—(Dispatches from five newspapers in this city, Albany and Troy.) Thomas P. Sack of this city, assisted by William M. Lange, Jr., a Gallaudet College graduate, are at the head of the large number of deaf and hard of hearing people who are planning a new independent organization called the Capital District Association of the Deaf, to be organized in Albany this spring or as soon as Mr. Sack and Mr. Lange complete their work of gathering a sufficient number of members in Albany, Schenectady, Troy and nearby towns. They are now enrolling members for the society and have reached over 100 prospective members, they said today. If the same results are obtained in Albany, the organization will probably be formed and officers installed in May or June. All persons interested have been asked to communicate with one of the organizers. Mr. Lange's address is 121 Clinton Street, Albany, and Mr. Sack's is 2026 Wabash Ave., Schenectady.

On Sunday afternoon, March 25th, these two men addressed the church audience following the church service for the deaf by Rev. H. C. Merrill of Syracuse, at the parish house of St. Paul's Church in Albany, and that night at St. George's Church parish house in Schenectady, explaining in

detail plans for the society, which will be known as the C. D. A. D., and the reasons put forward for the need of such an organization like the N. A. D. Protection of the deaf before the law, in public education, workmen's compensation, motor vehicle, regulations, accident insurance laws, and the like, are among the objectives of the proposed society.

Mr. Sack's address on March 25th was as follows:

### Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am pleased at the rapid progress of the enrollment for our new society and am glad that so many of the deaf and hard of hearing citizens agree that a strong organization such as we are trying to form, is needed by all. Now more than ever before, we need to unite for our best interests and advancements in both the business and social world.

The past few years have seen many changes in the business and industrial life of this country and regrettably has made things harder than ever for the deaf. The schools for the deaf have been subjected to so many experiments that education has been hampered rather than improved. Of course, this is not true of all schools, but a vast majority, especially day schools. We must be ever watchful and fight for our rights. If we all stand behind and for this organization, our rights and independence will have to be recognized and there will be fewer discriminations against the deaf.

At present, our first need is officers who will work whole-heartily for the good of the society, with the interests of the deaf and hard of hearing in view. They must keep the members interested and satisfied. It is a goal worth striving for.

It is vastly important that everyone join at once so we can get in touch with the National Association of the Deaf and all school alumni associations in New York State and have a sound foundation to start with. We need to build up a fund so we can protect ourselves against any unjust laws or other matters of importance. This society will brighten the outlook on life for the deaf of the capital State. Let us make our deaf children's future brighter by building up this society to help and encourage all the young so that they can secure better jobs in the future.

There was a special meeting on Monday night, March 26th, at the home of Mr. Sack. The eleven board members selected are H. A. Barnes, W. G. Abbott, H. J. Bedell, Eunice Tryon and T. P. Sack, all of this city, and J. F. Lyman, Jr., E. L. Calkins, Chas. Morris, Mrs. L. R. Ray, Mrs. James Wall and W. M. Lange, Jr., all of Albany, all of whom discussed the objects for which this organization is formed, to promote friendship, citizenship, and charity among its members, and for mutual, social, educational purposes and civic advancement.

The next meeting of the board will take place at the home of Mr. J. F. Lyman, Jr., of 91 Hollywood Ave., Albany, April 4th, and the date of the first convention will be decided on. At the convention, nominations and elections will take place.

Rev. Merrill, our minister, and Dr. E. Martin Freund, who is a well-known worker in the interests of the deaf and hard of hearing, have both promised to help organize and advise.

T. F. S.

The most important deserts in the United States are: The Staked Plains of Llano Estacado of Western Texas and Eastern New Mexico; the so-called Great American Desert of Western Arizona, Eastern California, and Southern Utah and Nevada; Painted Desert (part of the latter) in Northern Arizona; the Mojave Desert of South Central California. These are not sheer deserts in the sense that the Sahara is; that is, composed of nothing but sand. In all American deserts some form of plant and animal life exists.

### Brooklyn Hebrew Society of the Deaf, Inc.

Meets second Sunday of each month except July and August, at the Hebrew Educational Society Building, Hopkinson and Sutter Avenues, Brooklyn.  
Services and interesting speakers every Friday evening at 8:30 p.m., at the H. E. S. English Class, every Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday at 8 o'clock sharp, from September to May, at P. S. 150, Sackman and Sutter Avenues, Brooklyn.  
Charles H. Klein, President; Michael Auerbach, Sec'y, 264 Montank Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.

### St. Ann's Church for the Deaf

511 West 148th Street, New York City  
REV. GUILBERT C. BRADDOCK, Vicar  
Church Services—Holy Communion, first Sunday of each month, at 11 A.M. and 3 P.M. Evening Prayer on other Sundays at 3 P.M.  
Office Hours.—Morning, 10 to 12. Afternoons, 2 to 4:30. Evenings, 8 to 10, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday only.

### Ephpheta Society

248 West 14th Street, New York City (BMT and 8th Ave. Subways at door)  
Business meeting First Tuesday Evening  
Socials Every Third Sunday Evening  
FORTHCOMING SOCIALS  
(Other dates to be announced in due time)  
For any information regarding Ephpheta Society communicate direct to either:  
Jere V. Fives, President, 32 Lenox Road, Brooklyn, N. Y.  
Agnes C. Brown, Secretary, 352 Midwood St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

### Manhattan Division, No. 87

National Fraternal Society of the Deaf, meets at 711 Eighth Avenue, New York City (Deaf-Mutes' Union League Rooms), first Wednesday of each month. For information, write the Secretary, Louis Goldwasser, 318 Haven Ave., N. Y. City.

### All Angels' Church for the Deaf

(Episcopal)  
1151 Leland Ave. Chicago, Illinois  
(One block north of Wilson Ave. "L" station, and one-half block west).  
REV. GEORGE F. FLICK, Priest-in-charge.  
MR. FREDERICK W. SIBITSKY AND MR. FREDERICK B. WIRT, Lay-Readers.  
Church services, every Sunday at 11 A.M., Holy Communion, first and third Sundays of each month.  
Social Supper, second Wednesday of each month, 6:30 P.M., with entertainment following at 8 P.M.  
Get-together socials at 8 P.M., all other Wednesdays. (Use Racine Ave. entrance, around corner).  
ALL WELCOME  
Minister's address, 6336 Kenwood Avenue.

### Hebrew Assn. of the Deaf, Inc.

Meets Third Sunday afternoon of the month. Information can be had from Mrs. Tanya Nash, Executive Director, 210 West 91st Street, New York City; or Chas. Joselow, 4919 Seventeenth Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.  
Religious Services held every Friday evening at 8:30. Classes every Wednesday evening. Socials and movies First and Third Sunday evenings.

### Deaf-Mutes' Union League, Inc.

Club Rooms open the year round.  
Regular meetings on Third Thursdays of each month, at 8:15 P.M. Visitors coming from a distance of over twenty-five miles welcome. Nathan Schwartz, President; Joseph F. Mortiller, Secretary, 711 Eighth Avenue, New York City.

### Queens Division, No. 115

National Fraternal Society of the Deaf, meets at the Jamaica, Y. M. C. A. Building, Parson's Boulevard and 90th Avenue, Jamaica, the first Saturday of each month. For information write to Secretary Harry A. Gillen, 525 DuBois Avenue, Valley Stream, L. I.

### Brooklyn Guild of Deaf-Mutes

Meets first Thursday evening each month at St. Mark's Parish House, 230 Adelphi Street, near DeKalb Avenue, Brooklyn.  
Mr. Charles B. Terry, Secretary, 65 Lefferts Place, Brooklyn, N. Y.

### SOCIALS AND ENTERTAINMENTS FOR 1934

April 28th.—Apron and Necktie Party, Mr. Rayner.  
May 26th.—Entertainment, Mrs. S. Hoag.  
June 9th.—Gallaudet's Birthday, Mr. C. B. Terry.  
October 27th.—Hallowe'en Party, Mr. D. Aellis.  
November 24th.—Social and Games, Miss E. Anderson.  
December 26th.—Christmas Festival, Mr. C. B. Terry.  
MRS. HARRY LEIBSOHN, Chairman  
DeKalb and Myrtle Ave. car stops at Adelphi St.



**GALLAUDET COLLEGE**

(Continued from page 4)

and "Sprinting Jimmy" James Rayhill.

The first four named are Seniors and this was their last year of college basketball. Rayhill left last February to work as Boy's Supervisor at the Fanwood School in New York and was not present; however, his "G" was mailed to him by the Secretary of the organization.

A letter was also awarded to Emil Rath, '34, for the satisfactory completion of a strenuous season as manager of the team. Alfred Hoffmeister, '37, was given Honorable Mention as the most promising aspirant among the newer crop of players, and there is no doubt that he will be a meteor on the boards during the 1934-35 season.

The supper closed with a clever monologue by Earl Norton, '35, who played three characters at once, and designated the different persons by a rapid change of hats. The entire company then passed into Chapel Hall where a free motion picture show was given.

Sunday morning, April 8th, Prof. Irving Fufeld gave a talk before the Sunday School Classes in Chapel Hall. His subject was "ABC," otherwise "Always Be Careful," and illustrated with several incidents that tended to show that "ABC" was a good code to follow.

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**The Sahara Water-Clock**

A man's wealth in the Sahara is calculated almost entirely by the number of camels or palm-trees which he owns, and by the amount of water to which he is entitled. Water in the desert is so scarce that the ownership of it is most jealously guarded. In "A Search for the Masked Tawareks," the author says that in buying a palm grove it is always necessary to stipulate for so many *sa'as* per day or week. A *sa'a*, literally "an hour," is the amount of water which will flow in an hour through an opening the width of a man's fist in the side of a *segia*.

The main *segias*, or channels, as a rule follow the roads of the oasis, forming a sort of ditch at the side. A regular time-table is kept, showing the hours at which the owners of the different plantations are entitled to draw water.

The time is measured by a very curious little water-clock, consisting of a metal cup, made usually of brass or copper, with a small hole pierced in the bottom. At the commencement of each hour this is placed in a basin of water. The water gradually runs through the hole until, at the expiration of the hour, the cup sinks to the bottom of the basin. It is then taken out, emptied, and set again to measure off the next *sa'a*, and so the process is continued throughout the twenty-four hours.

This instrument is usually kept in the village mosque. In order to prevent all interference with it a watchman is set over it, who notifies the expiration of each hour from the minaret of the mosque.

At the end of the *sa'a* the opening in the side of the *segia* through which the water flows is closed with clay, and the water it cut off, and allowed to flow down the main channel to the next plantation.

**Direct Evidence**

The lawyer shook his finger warningly at the witness and said, "Now we want to hear just what you know, not what some one else knows, or what you think, or anything of that kind, but what you *know*. Do you understand?"

"Wal, I *know*," said the witness, with emphasis, as he lifted one limber leg and laid it across the other. "I *know* that Clay Grubb said that Bill Thomson told him that he heard John Thomas' wife tell Sid Shuford's gal that her husband was there when the fight took place, and that he said that they slung each other around in the bushes right consid'able."

Judging by the skin of an Egyptian mummy dating back to about 1200 B.C., the disease known as smallpox was known to the Egyptians.

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